



Lovely Strange Dark

UMI NO MUKOU TSUKI NO URAGAWA

"ACROSS THE OCEAN, TO THE FAR SIDE OF THE MOON"

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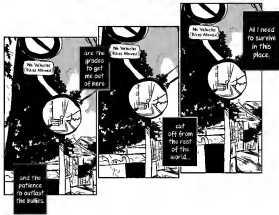
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The story begins in a
country town by the ocean.

I get
bullied.





SO. NOT.
COOL.
♡

OH
MY GOD,
LOOK AT
YOU!

POP

YOU NEVER
TRY TO COVER
IT UP, DO
YOU?

I call him
Yami-don

THEY BEAT
YOU UP
AGAIN?

Sayama
Yumiko
also a
senior.

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU?



PLEASE BE
WHY THEY
ALWAYS TAKE
EM OFF
FIRST.

BUT
GLASSES AN'T
GONNA FIX
THEMSELVES.

THEY KNOW
BROKEN
GONNA'LL
HEAL.

THOSE
BULLIES NOW-
ADAYS ARE
SMART.

YOUR
GLASSES
MADE IT OUT
ALRIGHT.

I'LL PATCH
YOU UP. I CAN'T
LET YOU GO
HOME LOOKING
LIKE THAT.

COME
OVER TO MY
PLACE.

He's
my one
and only
friend.

Yam-shan's family had its own share of unfortunate circumstances three years ago.



First his sister Tsiao, who was only a year older than he, jumped herself inside their house.



His dad found her and collapsed in shock, hitting his head.

And
because
of where
he hit
his head,

he can
barely
move.

SAME
OLD,
SAME
OLD.

BACK AND
FORTH BETWEEN
HERE AND HIS
DREAM.

HOW HE'S
DON'T

YOUR
DAD.

His mom
died shortly
after giving
birth to him.

I WOULDN'T
MIND IF HE
WENT THERE
AND NEVER
CAME BACK.

I

DON'T
KNOW

HOW MUCH
LONGER I
CAN TAKE IT.

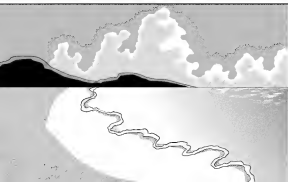
and now
Yumi-chan is
all alone with
his dad.

ALL HE DOES
IS COMPLAIN
WHEN HE'S
AWAKE.

OW!

It's
about
over.







LOOK,
MAKOTO-CHAN.
IT'S A JELLY-
FISH.



HAHAHA
HAHAHA!

THEN
DON'T
SWING
IT OVER
HERE!



WOULDN'T
WANT TO GET
STUNG BY
ONE OF
THESE.











SPLSH



HEY.

LITTLE MISS
DELINQUENT.



YOUR
PARENTS
WOULDN'T
WANT YOU
HERE.

WHY'D
YOU
DOIN' OUT
SO LATE?



HE'D
RATHER HAVE
ME ANYWHERE
BUT HOME.

HAHN!



YOU
KNOW
I HATE
THAT.

ARE
YOU DRUNK
AGAIN?

USH...



THERE'S
NOTHING I
HATE MORE
THAN DRINK-
ING.

MOVE

GET
OFF
ME.



AS
ADULTS.

I GUESS
YOU'RE STILL
TOO YOUNG
TO UNDER-
STAND.

WE GOTTA
DRINK OR
WE CAN'T
HANDLE IT.



CAN'T
BLAME
YOU.

AH.

RIGHT.



HEHE.

AL-
RIGHT.

MY
BAD.

I DON'T
CARE
IF YOU
DRINK.

BUT DON'T
COME AND
SEE
ME IF YOU'RE
GOING TO BE
DRUNK.









KILL HIM.
DO IT.

WHAT?!

AHA
HAHA
HAHA!

I FEEL
BAD FOR
YOU, YUMI, I
REALLY DO.

I had

AH...

WHAT AM
I GOING TO
DO WITH
YOU?

*You're
driving
madly,
aren't
you?*

THINK
ABOUT
IT,

DON'T YOU
WANNA BE
FREE?



I'LL RUN
AWAY WITH
YOU.

THROW IT
ALL AWAY,
EVERYTHIN'.

AND RUN OFF
SOMEWHERE
FAR AWAY.

no idea

JUST THE
TWO OF US.

all the
things



that
Yumi-chan
was carry-
ing inside
of him.



THESE
ADVANCES
COULDN'T GET
TOUCH NEAR
THE END WHEN
YOU'RE A
JERK



All the
dark-
ness

and
all the
light.



HE SHOULD
STOP SEEING
THAT GUY.

I had
no idea.

But I
never wanted
these beautiful
seasons with
Yumi-chan
to end.



So I never
wanted to
know.

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I GOT
EVERYTHING
I WANTED.

A
WOMAN
WHO LISTENED

I HAD
EVERYTHING.

BACK
THEN

BOOZE.



AND
YOUKO
WAS...



DIDN'T
KNOW HOW
TO DO A DAMN
THING BUT
SPREAD HER
LEGS.

THAT
IDOT,

RANGIN'
HERSELF.

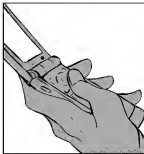
DAM-
MIT.

THAT
BITCH.

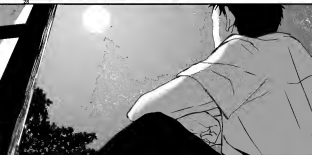
YOUKO.











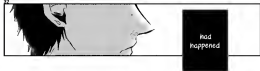


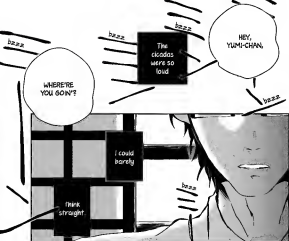
THE MOON'S
BEAUTIFUL.











one
thing for
certain.

THIS IS
GOODBYE,
MAKOTO-
CHAN.

But I
know



NOT SO
LOUD.

I'M
SERIOUS,
TALK TO
ME!

YOU'RE SUCH
A PAIN. THIS IS
EXACTLY WHY I
DIDN'T WANT
TO TELL YOU.

STOP
MESSIN'
AROUND!

LIKE YOU
COULD GO
THERE.

WAIT!

YUMI-
CHAN!

You made the
worst choice,
Yumi-chan.

WHAT'S
GOIN'
ON?

WHAT DID
HE SAY TO
YOU?

YUMI-
CHAN,

THIS
IS BAD.



LIKE I CARE
WHAT IS AND
ISN'T COOL.

YOU
KNOW.

TRYIN' TO RUN
OFF AIN'T COOL
NOWADAYS.

YUMI-
CHAN.

THINK
THIS OVER
AGAIN.

CAN'T.

I CAN'T
GO BACK
THERE.





clang









**YUMI-
CHAN!**

**DON'T
WAIT
FOR
HIM!**

**R
U
N!**



**IT
DON'T
MATTER
WHERE!**

**ACROSS
THE
OCEAN!**

**TO
THE FAR
SIDE
OF THE
MOON!**

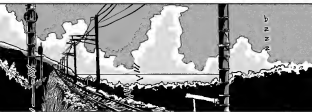
**I'LL
COME!**

**I'LL
COME
FOR
YOU!**

**I'LL
MAKE
YOU
HAPPY!**

**IT DON'T
MATTER
WHERE!
JUST RUN!**





There was
no happy end
waiting for
Yumi-chan.



Yumi-
chan
couldn't
finish it.

They took
his dad in
later that
day.

The neighbors
found him
bleeding from
his head, beg-
ging for help.

I was
a little
relieved.

The police
caught
Yumi-chan
in Tokyo.

The media
flooded our
sleepy little
town.

He was
still a
minor, so
his name
was never
publicized.

They took
me in for
questioning
as a person
of interest.

I told them I
didn't know
anything.



WE'LL SEE

HOW LONG
WILL HE BE
IN FOR?

The
end

That
was it



one who
never
managed
to make it
anywhere

I was
just a
boring
adult



After that,
I graduated
and drifted
through
university

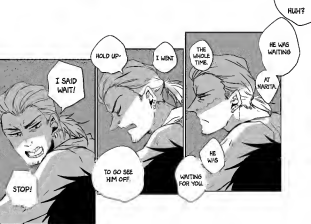
then
came back
to the
country
and took
an average
job





Talk about
bad luck.







"Don't
take too
long."

"I'll be
waiting for
you, no
matter
what."



I'M
SORRY I
BROUGHT
IT UP...

BUT I
UNDER-
STAND.

THAT
YUMI-CHAN
WAS WAITING
FOR YOU.

I JUST
WANTED
TO TELL
YOU...

I DIDN'T
MEAN
IT THAT
WAY...



Yumi-
chan,

Notes,



JUST
ONE LAST
THING.

HUFF

AKI

WAIT,

I'M
SORRY.

I know
it.

DAMMIT,

MAKIN' ME
REMEMBER ALL
THIS OLD SHIT.

I EVEN
MANAGED
TO QUIT
SMOKIN'.



You have
terrible
taste
in men.



GETTING
BEAT UP BY
SOMEONE
LIKE ME.

WHAT A
LOSS.



It must
have
seemed
quite
ridiculous
to him.



I thought
to myself

as I
landed
another
punch

He must
have had no
idea why
this was
happening
to him.

ACK

But
what do
I care?

You see,
I never lied
to you,
Yumi-chan.

I should have
told you
sooner.



Especially
when they
say it's in
the name of
justice or a
greater cause.



I still hate
violence.

But just
forgive
me this
one time.

This is the
only time,
I swear.



Guess
what,
I even
broke my
glasses.

It's makin' me
hate everythin'
how much of
a goddamn
hypocrite I am.

I'm
bein' a
hypo-
crite.

I know.
I know.



**YOU
NEVER
GAVE
A SHIT
ABOUT
YUMI-
CHAN!**



I'll beat him
up for you.

and then...
I'll run.

I don't think
you could
find anyone
more
suspicious
than me.

BREAKING NEWS
"INNOCENT" SHALL
TOWN FATHER
BRUTALLY
ASSAULTED*

A DECENT
HEADLINE

Left in
shreds
and
covered
in blood.

THE MEDIA
BETTER NOT
MISS THIS ONE.
FOR GOD'S
SAKE.

Won't take
long for the
police to
catch me.

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Across
the
ocean,

ALL I WANT
IS FOR THEM
TO SHOUT MY
NAME OUT

But I'll
run.

to the
far side
of the
moon.



***LOUD ENOUGH
FOR YUMI-CHAN
TO HEAR!***

***Someday,
somewhere,
their paths will
cross again.***

Fin